Struggle for the New York State Republican Convention.

CANDIDATES FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Roosevelt May Have Trouble to Secure a Renomination.

TO EDUCATE CUBAN ORPHANS

NEW YORK, February 15, 1900. mittee, which meets here on February falo as the place for the state convention. The latter city is making a great effort to obtain the convention, but some of the party leaders think that it should be held publicans are now expecting to get the the convention will pass resolutions indors-ing him as New York's candidate for Vice President, now that Gov. Roesevelt has re-fused to be side-tracked. Senator Platt speaks of Mr. Woodruff as "a fine young nfan," but nobody has been able to induce

Roosevelt's Chance for Renomination. Local republicans accept as final Gov. Possevelt's declaration that he will not accept the nomination for Vice President under any circumstances. They are not so sure, however, that the governor will get sure, however, that the governor will get a renomination. If Bryan is nominated again on a 16 to 1 platform, it is believed that any republican can be elected governor of New York next fall, and this fact will make the struggle for the nomination all the harder.

Mayor Daviš S. Rose of Milwaukee and Geo. W. Peck, ex-governor of Wisconsin, are in the city for the purpose of efficient the support of representative democrats in the eastern states in a movement to hold the next national democratic convention at Mil-

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watkee.

At the democratic "harmony" dinner, given by Edward M. Shepard at the Pouch Gallery. Brooklyn, on Saturday last, it is said the most notable feature was the absence of the prominent guests that had been invited. Ex-President Grover Cleveland had received an invitation, but no letter of regret from him was read at the feast or even alluded to. Mr. Cleveland not only sent a prompt declination, but also gave his reasons for remaining away. He wrote that he did not think it advisable that he should take part in or in any changed his attitude on political methods. The letter to Mr. Shepard was marked personal," and that geotleman has shown as willingness to make its exact contents.

### School for "Rough Riders."

Benceforth to bear the name of "Rough serving young man between the ages of eighteen and twenty-for years to have been ambushed at Las Guasimas or outcon up San Juan hill by the colored cavalrun up San Juan hill by the colored caval-ry. So he foot ball player or chappie, athlete or assibetic, bad man or white rib-bon bearer, ho may for the inconsiderable sum of \$500 be allowed to become an un-dergraduate in the new school of soldiery to be opened in May in Colorado, four hun-dred miles southwest of Denver, under the alluring title of the National Rough Riders' Exercised to This is not a federal instiaffuring title of the National Rough Riders Encampment. This is not a federal insti-tution in any way, but the youth who seek to learn the strenuous life will be chaper-oned by retired army officers and a bunch of cowboys selected for eminent skill in profanity and broncho busting. Guided by the military men and the rule children of the ranch the undergraduates are guaran-teed to become full-blown rough riders in ced to become full-blown rough riders in

C. D. Gurley of Denver, Col., is in this city purchasing equipment for the en-campment which is to evolve rough riders. Roosevelt's thousand have grown faster than the pension lists of the next-to-the-late war, and the number of men who were n Cuba has reached alarming proportions. Vith the encampment turning them out at the rate of 1,000 a year the rough rider market bids fair to be overstocked and a tump is likely to follow in public estima on of this brand of hero.

# To Educate Cuban Orphans.

Plans for an entertainment to be given by the Cuban Orphan Association to s funds for the education of Cuban orphans have been finally decided upon. It is pro posed to hold in the 71st Regiment Armory. luring Easter week, a fair, festival entertainment on a scale that will equal, if not surposs, the sanitary fair, held during the rebellion. The committee in charge proposes to extend the movement to every own, village or hamlet in the United States, where some kind of an entertainnent will be given during Easter week The money thus raised will be put in the The money thus raised will be put in the general fund and used for the purposes already mapped out by the society. And it is to further this plan that the children of the United States are called upon for assistance. The central committee is composed of Mrs. Mary Hatch William T. Wardwell, treasurer; Mrs. William T. Wardwell, treasurer; Mrs. William T. Blodgett, Mrs. H. Fairfield Osborn, Cornelius N. Bliss and Charles W. Gould.

# Inderwood Machine Recommended.

The contract for supplying the navy with 250 typewriting machines will probably be awarded to the Underwood Company in awarded to the underwood conformity with the report of the special

# Personal Mention.

Among the Washingtonians who will sail the 21st instant by the American line steamship St. Louis, from New York to Southampton, will be the following: Mr. J. S. Anthony, Mr. James L. Fanner, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Floyd and Lieutenant A. C. Poundstone, U. S. A.

# Designated as Siege Batteries.

The following order was posted at the War Department today: "Battery K, 5th Artillery, and Battery O, 7th Artillery, are for instruction and other purposes announced as siege bateries, and the number of enlisted men of the heavy batteries of these regiments will be so apportioned that the regiments will not exceed their present authorized strength."

# Appointment Recommended.

Major Sylvester, the chief of police, has recommended the appointment of John T. Jackson as a private of class one, vice Gardner, removed, and it is understood the Commissioners will make the appointment.

# Address by Dr. Clark.

Rev. Lucien Clark, D.D., pastor of Foundry M. E. Church, will address the men's meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The singing will be led by Mr. Charles S

Clark.
The men's Bible class, under the leader-ship of Dr. Merrill E. Gates, meets at 3 o'clock. Men are cordially invited by the association for both of these meetings.

### Movements of Naval Vessels. The Machias has sailed from San Juan for Pensacola. The Essex has arrived at San Juan. The Detroit has sailed from Key West for lobile to participate in the Mardi Gras

Tuition Free.

One Thousand Can Be Accommodated -Plan Originated in Havana Harvard Club.

HAVANA, February 17 .- A cable dispatch from Charles William Ellot, president of Harvard University, to Alexis E. Frve. superintendent of schools, will probably have the effect of doing more for Cuba's future than anything yet accomplished. Some weeks ago Mr. Frye proposed a plan to Governor General Wood which had been discussed at the Havana Harvard Club, namely, endeavoring to obtain permission for one thousand Cuban teachers to attend the Harvard Summer School for Teachers.

This morning Mr. Frye received Presiden Eliot's reply, offering to provide, free of charge, for one thousand Cubans during six weeks of the summer. Mr. Frye and six weeks of the summer. Mr. Frye and obtain the convention, but some of the party leaders think that it should be held in this city if New York is to have a place on the national ticket. The New York republicans are now expecting to get the publicans are now expecting to get the second place on the national ticket, and friends of Lieut. Cay Woodruff hope that influences and will be elbow to elbow with American leachers, which cannot but have an influence on the methods of teaching in

It is believed that arrangements can be made to send the teachers to the United States on board of transports.

Mr. Frye also contemplates that another six weeks shall be utilized in visiting every city of importance from Maine to California. He believes that the railroads will tender assistance and also that weekship. tender assistance and, also, that probably the municipalities will invite the teachers

## to be their guests during their stay. He says that if it can be accomplished he will consider one of the greatest problems of the Cuban situation as settled.

One Man Killed, While Another Almost CHICAGO, February 17 .- A special to the

MINERS IN A SNOW SLIDE.

Tribune from Denver says: Jack Lewis, a miffer, went down to death in a snow slide in Sliver Lake basin, while Clarence Coburn, a sick man, lashed to a toboggan, rode the slide to safety, and was brought to town last night without a scratch. Lewis and four companions were coming to town, when they encountered a slide. They were caught in the sweep and landed down the valley a thousand feet below. Every man was buried, but, with the assistance of the miners from the neighbor-ing properties, they were taken out alive after three hours' work, with the exception of Lewis, whose body was not recovered until life was extinct. Lewis was secretary of the Miners' Union, and had just returned from Joulin Mo, where he had organized. from Joplin, Mo., where he had organized

the zinc miners. Coburn's accident occurred an hour ear-Coburn's accident occurred an hour earlier. He was being dragged down the mountain, when the passage of the party started
a slide. Four men, under the leadership
of Al Kinkle, a relative of the patient, fled
for safety, but could not get away. They
were hurled into the bottom of the gulch.
Coburn was in the center of the avalanche.
When it struck, the toboggan was tossed
into the air and landed on top of the snow,
so that Coburn rode across the gulch in
safety.

# NEGRO SOLDIERS MOB A JAIL.

## One of Them and a Policeman Killed

EL PASO, Texas, February 17.-A mob of negro soldiers from Fort Bliss attacked the city police station at 5 o'clock this morning with the object of releasing two of their comrades who had been arrested yesterday. In the fight which ensued Police Officer Stewart and one negro soldier were killed. It is believed one of the soldiers was wounded.

Yesterday af ernoon the police locked up a corporal from the fort for being drunk and disorderly. Later another drunken soldier was arrested. Comrades of the pris-oner took the news to the post. A rescue party, armed with Krag-Jorgensens, was organized, and just before daylight a de-scent was made on the police station. Two of the soldiers, rifles in hand, en-tered the building and demanded of Officer Stewart, the only man on duty the sur-

Stewart, the only man on duty, the sur-render of their comrades. render of their comrades.

Stewart ordered the men out of the station, and they opened fire on him. Jailer Richard Blacker, aroused by the shots, sprang out of bed and started for the office, pistol in hand. As soon as he appeared in the doorway one of the soldiers opened fire on him. Blacker dropped to his kness and at his first shot the negro. peared in the doorway one of the soldiers opened fire on him. Blacker dropped to his knees, and at his first shot the negro staggered and ran out, closely followed by staggered and ran out, closely followed by his companions. The negroes broke into a run for the fort. A trail of blood leading from the station was followed, and half a block away the body of a negro, shot through the breast, was found. A rifle and traces of blood indicated that another of the negroes was wounded.

Officers pursued the fleeing soldiers, but were unable to make any arrests. The detachment stationed at Fort Bliss is Company E, 25th United States Infantry.

# Patent Attorneys Disbarred.

Alfred E. Glascock of the firm of Glasock & Co. of this city and Alfred Meltzer of Chicago, Ill., were today disbarred from practice before the United States patent office for gross misconduct.

# BONA-FIDE CIRCULATION.

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Harvard University Offers Six Weeks' Milwaukee's Effort to Secure the Demo- Trial of Mollie Harris Comes to an Unex- Fusionists and Mid-Roaders Wide Apart in Mr. Babcock's Bill to Prevent Dangers cratic National Convention.

> Delegation Two Hundred Strong to Leave for Washington Monday-

> of Milwaukee business men which will invade Washington Monday in the interest of securing the democratic national convention for the beer city is not allowing any moss to cling to its efforts.

Mr. Wall, the national committeeman from Wisconsin, said this afternoon that fifteen states are already represented in Washington by their respective committee men or proxies. Of this number a large majority, he declared, have personally expressed their preference for Milwaukee. Ex-Governor George W. Peck and Mayor

Rose of Milwaukee by prearrangement called on John R. McLean at the latter's called on John R. McLean at the latter's home this forenoon and were in conference with him for nearly an hour. It is understood Mr. McLean, who is said to have vice presidential aspirations, will not force the attention of the national committee to the claims of Cincinnati as a meeting place for the convention, and that in return the friends of Milwaukee in the committee will vote to have the democratic national head. vote to have the democratic national head-quarters located in Columbus, McLean's

tate. Mr. McLean, it is said, was given to understand that the committee might not look favorably on the proposition to accord Ohio all the honors at its disposal; hence, Cincin-nati will not be considered seriously in the

A member of the national committee de-A member of the hadden committee ac-clared emphatically to a Star reporter to-day that if the convention goes to Mil-waukee the campaign will be directed from The Milwaukee delegation, 200 strong, will depart from that city tomorrow and will arrive in Washington Monday evening.

The Rival Cities. The democratic national committee is to meet at the Raleigh Hotel in this city the 22d of this month, to decide upon the time and place of holding the national convention. It is very widely believed that the choice will lie between Milwaukee and Kan-

The Milwaukee delegation, referred to as aiready in the city, consists of ex-Gov. Peck of Wisconsin, Mayor David S. Rose of Milwaukee, National Committeeman Wall, ex-Representative Somers and John P.

The Kansas City delegation is not yet here, but much work in behalf of that city is being done by the Missourians in Con-

is being done by the Missourians in Congress.

The Milwaukee people urge that they can offer as good facilities for the convention as any city in the country and the best of reasons why it should go there.

Mayor Rose said to a Star reporter today that the railroad facilities are about what they are in Chicago; the hotel accommodations unsurpassed, and the climate at the tions unsurpassed, and the climate at th eason of conventions as delightful as could be found anywhere, while to accommodate
the convention they have the magnificent Exposition Auditorium building, with a capacity of accommodating 15,000 people.

The Exposition Auditorium, he said, was very convenient to a large number of fine hotels, and the telegraphic facilities for the press would be all that could be wished for.

## EXAMINING BOARD APPOINTED. Candidates for Places in the Pay Corps Will Go Before It.

A board of officers has been appointed o meet in this city for the examination of persons designated for appointment as

of persons designated for appointment as paymasters in the army. Following is the detail for the board; Brig. Gen. Alfred E. Bates, paymaster general; Lieut. Col. George W. Baird, dep-uty paymaster general; Maj. Walter Reed, surgeon; Maj. James C. Merrill, surgeon; Maj. Thomas Knox, inspector general, and First Lieut. Winfield S. Overton, 7th Ar-

# THE COURTS. .

District Court-Justice Hagner. In re extension of Sherman avenue; sub-mitted. In re extension of New Hamp-shire avenue; order for appearance.

Bankruptcy Court-Justice Hagner. In re A. G. Uhler; hearing fixed for March 7, 1900.

Equity Court No. 2-Justice Barnard. Equity Court No. 2-Justice Barnard.
Clark agt. Clark; order to reinstate cause
on docket. Tolbert agt. Tolbert; testimony before J. A. Clark, examiner. Woodbridge agt. Woodbridge; divorce a vin, mat
granted. Clagett agt. Clagett; order ratifying auditor's report. Mitchell agt. Gould;
sale finally ratified. Stettinius agt. Todd;
decrea substituting trustee and for sale. decree substituting trustee and for sale Schmidt agt. Barrett; auditor's report confirmed. Gschwilm agt. Gshwilm; order allowing alimony and proof ordered taken before Margaret M. Murray, examiner. Saxton agt. Saxton; order of re-reference to examiner. Brooks agt. Brooks; com-mission ordered to issue. Gschwilm agt Gschwilm agt Gschwilm; order allowing alimony and testimony before Margaret M. Murray, examiner, ordered taken. Bergen agt. Legoid; sale ratified finally and distribution

Bartholomew agt. Malze; plaintift to give security in twenty days, and motion for bill of particulars overruled. Whipps agt. District of Columbia; leave to amend declaration by consent. McShane Manufacturing Company agt. Lockhead; judgment by default. Circuit Court No. 1-Chief Justice Ringham

Criminal Court No. 1-Justice Clabaugh. United States agt. Benj. H. Snell, murder; time to hear motion for new trial post-poned until February 23. United States agt. Margaret Harris, murder; on trial.

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Probate Court-Justice Cole.

In re Elbridge S. Johnson, guardian; order to employ counsel. Estate of Annie M.

Miller; caveat filed. Estate of Geo. R. Kervick; letters of administration granted to Jos. J. Darlington; bond, \$10,000. Estate of Margaret M. Carrico; will, dated June 26, 1803, filed. In re Charlotte M. Dally, guardian; order of appointment; bond, \$100. Estate of Olivia H. Cossley; order of sale. Estate of Olivia H. Cossley; order of sale. Estate of Minerva Fox; do. Estate of Mary A. Schneider; copy of decree appointing Mary E. Clssel trustee, and order amending executor's account.

Estate of Mary W. A. La Rue; order to sell certain diamonds at private sale. Estate of Wm. Fulton; will admitted to probate as to real estate. Estate of Michael Sells; account passed. Estate of Jno. T. Cochran; letters of administration d. b. n. c. t. a. granted to Wm. A. Gordon; bond. Seiis; account passed. Estate of Jno. T. Cochran; letters of administration d. b. n. c. t. a. granted to Wm. A. Gordon; bond, \$7,000. Estate of Isaac N. Hall; order of publication. Estate of George J. Killian; order passing final account filed. Estate of Michael Sells; restated account filed. Estate of Michael Sells; restated account filed. Estate of Susan P. Lee; letters of administration b. b. n. to W. H. De Courcy Wright; bond, \$20,000. Estate of Martha Becker; letters of administration granted to Henry Schaefer; bond, \$100. In re Geo. M. Strieby, guardian; order directing guardian to file account. Estate of Chas. W. Williams; account filed. In re Washington Loan and Trust Co., guardian; order to pay over funds. Estate of Thos. W. Gray; account passed. Estate of Morgan H. Lester; order for sale of personalty.

Appointed Veterinary Surgeon. Dr. Thomas M. Owen, son of Thomas J. Dr. Thomas M. Owen, son of Thomas J. Owen, 913 F street northwest, has received an appointment under the government as a veterinary surgeon, and has been ordered to report to Capt. A. W. Butt, assistant quartermaster, U. S. V., now on duty at Portland Ore., and to proceed to Manila on the transport Lennox, which will leave Portland about March 1. Dr. Owen left here yesterday for Portland. here yesterday for Portland.

# Railway Bill Disapproved.

It is understood that the District Commisners will recommend unfavorable action on House bill 7342, incorporating the East on House bill 1342, incorporating the hast Washington and Benning Railway Company. It is said the Commissioners are of the opinion that the territory through which the proposed railway proposes to run and to accommodate is already well provided with street railway facilities or will be by building roads and those contemplated.

Cambrian Society Banquet. Arrangements are in progress for the banquet of the Cambrian Society of this, city in honor of St. David, the patron stant of Wales, which will be held the evening of the 1st of March at the Hotel La Fetra.

GOSSIP FROM GOTHAM TO HELP CUBAN TEACHERS ADVANCE GUARD IN TOWN PLEA OF MANSLAUGHTER POPULISTS ALL AT SEA A SWEEPING MEASURE FINANCE AND TRADE

pected Conclusion.

The Plea Accepted and the Woman Remanded for Sentence-Probable Penalty.

An entirely unexpected finish to the trial of Mollie Harris, undicted for the murder of Alice Queenan the 9th of last October, was reached this afternoon in Criminal Court No. 1. When court opened this morning the defendant took the witness stand and gave her version of the tragedy. When she had concluded the defense announced its case closed. For nearly two hours thereafter counsel engaged in arguing in connection with prayers for instructions it was de sired the court should give the jury.

The prayers were disposed of and a re-cess was then taken, after which Assistant United States Attorney Gould arose to address the jury. As he was about to begin his remarks Attorney Turner of counsel for the defense interrupted to say that the defendant desired to enter a plea of guilty of manslaughter if the United States attorney would accept such plea. After brief deliberation the plea was accepted, the de-fendant remanded and the jury discharged. The defendant is now subject to imprison-ment in the penitentiary for a period not exceeding ten years.

Defendant on the Stand.

It was evident this morning at the opening of the proceedings that the trial was rapidly nearing the end. Immediately after the assembling of court the defendant took the stand. At the conclusion of her testimony the discussion of prayers for instruc tions counsel desired the court to give the jury occupied some time. The arguments

Jury occupied some time. The arguments of counsel were next in order.

The defendant was on the stand for a comparatively short time. She declared that on occasions prior to the tragedy Alice Queenan had threatened to kill her. The evening of the killing she was set upon, she said, by Alice and a big row followed. The deceased and her friends assaulted the defendant. The latter admitted that she struck the fatal blow, but did so in self-defense. When she left the alley after the row the defendant did not know that Alice was dead. Mollie said she passed the knife, with which Alice was cut, to Delia Dyson, who placed it in the lining of the cape.

### CIVIL SERVICE CHANGES. Text of Bill Introduced to Radically

Mr. Shattuc has introduced a bill in the House (H. R. 8630) to amend the civil servce act as follows:

"That the rules heretofore made and promulgated, or which may hereafter be made or promulgated, under the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States,' approved January 16, 1883, shall not apply to nor regulate examinations for nor the employment or appointment of any person to any office or position in the civil service of the United States, nor to re-movals therefrom, except the following,

"First, clerks (which term shall also indude copyists, counters, computers and draftsmen) who receive salaries of not less draftsmen) who receive salaries of not less than \$900 nor over \$1,800 per annum in the several departments, institutions, commis-sions and bureaus in the city of Washing-ton, District of Columbia, and in the vari-ous public offices throughout the country in which as many as twenty-five persons, exclusive of letter carriers, are employed; second, railway mail clerks, and, third, letter carriers in cities where more than letter carriers in cities where more than letter carriers in cities where more than ten carriers, exclusive of substitutes, are employed. Provided, That the provisions of said act approved January 16, 1883, and rules made thereunder, shall not in any way apply nor be applied to the appointment or employment of special examiners in the bureau-of pensions, nor to confidential clerks, secretaries or stenographers of any head of any department, institution, commission or bureau, nor to those of any postmaster, surveyor or collector of customs, collector of internal revenue, pension agent, appraiser of merchandise, the naval

ioms, collector of internal revenue, pension agent, appraiser of merchandise, the naval officer of any port, marshal of any district or attorney of the United States for any district, nor to any person employed in the office of the public printer.

"Sec. 2. That so far as said act can be construed to authorize the prescribing of rules for employment or appointments to removals from any other position in the public service, except as provided in this act, the same is hereby repealed, and all rules which have been adopted or promulgated inconsistent with this act are hereby annulled and rescinded.

annulled and rescinded. "Sec. 3. That the terms of office of all persons to whose appointment the rules made or to be made under said act of January 16, 1883, may apply shall be five years, the terms of those heretofore appointed to be five years from the passage of this act, and the terms of those hereafter appointed to be five years from the date of their respective appointments: Provided, That the provisions of this section of this act shall not in any manner abridge or interfere with the power of the proper appointing officers to reappoint, remove, transfer, reduce or promote any such appointee, person, employe or clerk in his discretion, and as a proper regard for the good of the persons to whose appointment the as a proper regard for the good of the public service may, in his judgment, re quire: And provided further, That when quire: And provided further, That when any such clerk, employe, person or appointee is removed, transferred or reduced, the officer ordering or doing the same shall state in writing the reason and grounds therefor and shall file such writing as a public record in his office: And provided further, That no such removal, reduction, promotion or transfer shall be made for political or religious reasons." promotion or transfer shall political or religious reasons.

# BONES OF JOHN PAUL JONES.

Their Resting Place Has Been Ap-

proximately Located The Secretary of the Navy has received etter from Lieut. Wm. S. Sims, naval at tache at the United States embassy at Paris, in regard to the prospects of recovering the remains of Commodore John Paul Jones from their resting place in the French capital. Lieut. Sims says:

"It is the opinion of the ambassador tha the remains of John Paul Jones are defi-

"It is the opinion of the ambassador that the remains of John Paul Jones are definitely located in the area clearly indicated in M. de Ricaudy's report, but it appears to be a matter of conjecture as to whether the actual remains of John Paul Jones could be identified. This would depend on whether or not he was buried in such a manner that his remains would be preserved, and particularly whether his coffin bore any inscription, and whether he was buried in a uniform or with a sword or some emblem of his former grade.

M. de Ricaudy states in the report above referred to, that the information given therein is taken from documents existing in various archives and from authentic plans of the city of Paris, and that no statement has been made that is not supported by documentary proof that in each case can be produced if needed. In view of the reputation of M. de Ricaudy and his success in previous researches, particularly that in locating the body of Turgot, it is safe to conclude that the statements contained in the report can, as he says, be thoroughly authenticated.

"By reason of the ocupation of M. de Ricaudy, he has not been able up to the present time to give me any further details concerning this subject, but in conversation with him he atknowledges that, although he is absolutely/convinced that the body of John Paul Jones was buried in the area indicated and has never been removed, he still considers to purely conjectural whether or not it would be possible to identify the remains, although he is reasonably sure that he has established within a narrow limit the site where the body was buried. It was by reason of this uncertainty of identifying the body that M. de Ricaudy suggested the advisability of acquiring a part or all of the area formerly included in this cemetery, and, after clearing it of the inconsiderable structures which now cover it, to make it a small square and erect thereon a suitable monument to the naval hero.

An effort is being made to have Congress authorize the purchase of the prop-

An effort is being made to have Con-gress authorize the purchase of the prop-erty in Paris and the erection of a monu-nent there. On the Centennial Committee.

Senator McMillan has been appointed a member of the joint committee on the cen-tennial of the establishment of the seat of government in Washington, in place of Senator Hoar, who resigned from that place several weeks ago.

Their Views.

Great Interest Being Manifested in Provides That All Electric Railroads the Meeting of the National Committee Monday.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. LINCOLN, Neb., February 15, 1900.

The national committee of the populist party will meet in this city February 19 Party leaders are making great preparations for the event. There is a great scram ble among members of the committee for proxies. as it is understood the far-away members will not attend the meeting. The leaders, however, will be here. Senator Allen will arrive Sunday. Senator Marion Butler, chairman of the committee, will be present, as will also several other party No two men agree in their forecasts of the

ection of the committee, yet all concur in the prediction that the fusion faction will control it. In other words, the leaders who have a controlling voice in the national council of the populist party have placed themselves at the service of W. J. Bryan, and will shape the policy of the populist party in strict accordance with the wishes of Mr. Bryan and his democratic associates. The faction which is strenuously demand-

The faction which is strenuously demanding that only a populist shall be named for Vice President, and that the democratic national convention shall leave that place open so the populists may fill it, is sure to be heard from, not only at the Lincoln meeting, but at the national convention as well. It is understood in populistic circles here that the fusion members, as well as the mid-read members are practically a unit on this point. They are determined there shall be no Watson-Sewall handicap as that which characterized the campaign of 1896. A private letter received here says that this was the subject of the conference between Mr. Bryan and Senators Butler and Allen in Washington Saturday, when it was given out that Senator Allen would be empowered to make a pledge to the committee upon his arrival at Lincoln which would be entirely satisfactory to them. This assurance will prove sufficient to quiet the nerves of the members favorable to fusion on the national ticket, but it is said here that the midroaders will demand a pledge from the national democratic committee, irrespective of any assurance made in the name of Mr. ing that only a populist shall be named for roaders will demand a pledge from the na-tional democratic committee, irrespective of any assurance made in the name of Mr.

Bryan.
Mid-Roaders in Minority.

The mid-road faction will be in the minority, but there is no doubt its leather lungs will be given plenty of exercise. They propose to lay down an ultimatum, that if the national populist convention is expected by the democrats to indorse the nominee of the the democratis to indorse the nominee of the national democratic convention with respect to first place on the ticket, then and in that case the democrats must consent to indorse the populist nominee for Vice President. Nobody in these parts, however, is informed as to whom the populists will nominate. Some of them say that the choice will be made at a conference of the experience.

Some of them say that the choice will be made at a conference of the executive committee of both the democratic and populist national committees, which choice nust be ratified by Mr. Bryan before the name is given to the public.

There is considerable gossip here concerning the platform which the populists will formulate under the fusion plan. The fusion members of the committee will urge that the party in convention assembled must adopt a platform carrying Simon-pure populistic doctrine, especially reaffirming the party faith in the wisdom of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ing the party faith in the wisdom of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without the aid or consent of any other nation. This faction will not, however, oppose Mr. Bryan's position with respect to militarism and so-called expansion. On other vital issues the fusion populists will concur with Mr. Bryan's platform pledges as far as they can at this time be foreseen. The mid-roaders will insist on free coinage and expansion. In this side of the present the sum of the present the sist on free coinage and expansion. In this resolve they claim to be voicing the senti-ments of the populists of the southern states as well as of those of the midwest states.

Fusionists May Bolt.

At the meeting Monday this faction will make a special plea in behalf of the policy of expansion, claiming that in so doing it is defending the interests of the populists east, west and south. They expect, however, to be turned down in committee, but

The committee will decide upon a place of The committee will decide upon a place of meeting of the national convention. Today the choice stands between Kansas City and Milwaukee, with chances in favor of the Missourt town. The date will be decided on with reference to the date of the democratic convention, both of which will be comparatively early, it is said. The question of proportionate representation in the national convention will call for some consideration, as will also the means of raising ideration, as will also the means of raising unds. This latter subject is a matter of grave concern to the populists. Money is plentiful and business is good, and these are the conditions which superinduce apa-thy upon the part of the faithful.

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This meeting will be very important to
the destinies of the two parties. Mr. Bryan
has appealed to the leaders to urge a large
attendance. A little mistake would prove
annoying and might result in the loss of
Nebraska and two or three other western
states to the electoral college.

# CHILDREN OF REVOLUTION.

The National Society Opens Its Fifth Annual Session.

The National Society of the Children of the American Revolution opened its fifth annual convention today at 10 o'clock at the Columbian University, corner 15th and H streets. It was a most enthusiastic meeting and there was a good attendance, notwithstanding the storm. Delegates from New York, Dakota, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Ohio, Connecticut and many other states were present, in addition to the state directors and the presidents of

the local societies. The meeting was opened by prayer by the chaplain, Mrs. Teunis S. Hamlin. The salute to the flag was given by the Capital Society of the District, Price Williamson, color bearer, followed by a recitation, "Our Flag of Liberty," and greeting by telegraph from President Whitman of the university, absent in Philadelphia, Mrs. David L throp, the national president, made a stir-ring address of welcome. Reports of the national board were in progress when this ational board acceptance of the afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock.

# Mr. Maney's Sudden Death.

Mr. Seymour B. Maney was taken suddenly ill on his way home from church in Brookland last night and died within an hour. Mr. Maney was an engraver in the oureau of engraving and printing, having come here from the Franklin Bank Not Company of New York city May 1, 1874. He was an interested worker, a deacon and the leader of the choir in the Meth-odist Episcopal Church in Brookland and was actively engaged in the Y. M. C. A. He was a brother of Rev. James Maney. pastor of the Congress Heights Methodist

Death of Well-Known Lawyer. Announcement was made today of the death yesterday, at his home in Madison county, Va., of Major James W. Walker, for many years a well-known practitione adjutant general of Mahone's division, confederate army, and was United States district attorney for Montana during President Harrison's term.

Held on Charge of Larceny. nelia Thomas, who last fall was convicted of larceny, was today charged in the

Police Court, before Judge Kimball, with second offense of petit larceny, it being alleged that she had stolen a lot of cloth-ing valued at \$2.50, from Thomas Thackery. She was held in \$300 for the action of the grand jury.

From Electrolysis.

and Other Plants Shall Be Insulated Safely.

troduced in the House by Mr. Babcock (H. R., 8629) is as follows: That each and every street railway com-

pany in the District of Columbia using the overhead trolley system for the propulsion of its cars, or using any other electrical system employing an uninsulated, a grounded, or a rail return or feeding circuit for the current, shall equip its lines with the double-trolley system, or other equally good insulated metallic-circuit system, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. It shall be the duty of each and every such railway company, within sixty days after the passage pany, within sixty days after the passage of this act, to submit to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia a plan, in duplicate, of the system proposed to be used for every part of its lines. One copy of this plan, with such modifications as the Commissioners may deem proper, shall be returned to the railway company, which shall, within three months after the approval of the plan by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, fully carry out its requirements. Any failure to submit such plan, or carry it into execution, shall render the offending railway company liable such plan, or carry it into execution, shall render the offending railway company llable to a penalty of \*25 a day for each day of non-compliance with any of the requirements of this act, to be recovered in the name of the District of Columbia in any court of competent jurisdiction; and a failure to pay such penalty within sixty days shall act as a forfeiture of the charter of such railway company and all rights and privileges thereunder.

Section 2. That after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person, company or corporation in the District of Columbia to furnish current for electric light, heat, or power on a circuit or sys-

Columbia to furnish current for electric light, heat, or power on a circuit or system any portion of which is grounded or connected to any grounded construction, or which is not thoroughly insulated from the ground. It shall be unlawful for any person, company or corporation in the District of Columbia to use any dynamo, generator, motor or transforming device in connection with any lighting or heating apparatus for the production or utilization of electric curthe production or utilization of electric cur-rent any pole or terminal of which is grounded or connected to the carth or any grounded construction. Each and every person, company or corporation employing any such grounded system shall submit to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, within thirty days after the passage of this act, a plan, in duplicate, showing the changes proposed to be made in its system. One copy of this plan, with such modifications as the Commissioners may deem proper, shall be returned to the party, company or corporation submitting the or connected to the earth or any deem proper, shall be returned to the party, company or corporation submitting the same, which shall, within sixty days thereafter, begin to carry out its requirements, and shall complete such changes within six months from the date of the approval thereof by the Commissioners. Any failure to submit such plan or to carry it into execution shall render the offending person, company or corporation liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars a day for each day of noncompliance with any of the requirements of this act to be recovered in the name of the District of Columbia in any court of competent jurisdiction. been in the name of the District of Columbia in any court of competent jurisdiction, and a failure to pay such penalty within sixty days shall act as a forfeiture of the charter of such railway company and all rights and privileges thereunder or any permits, licenses or privileges that may be enjoyed under existing law.

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# OTIS REPORTS CASUALTIES.

Recent Victims of Bullet and Dis-Gen. Otis today reported the following additional casualties among the troops in the

Philippines:

Killed-Thirty-ninth Infantry, January 13. Lipa, Luzon, B, James C. Ryan; February 3, Bagbag, Province Batanzas, Luzon, K, Albert Votrie, 6th Infantry; February 4, Antique, Panay, L, George H. Schuchard. Wounded-Fourth Cavalry, February 7, Magdalena, Luzon, A. Ross G. Miller, left ever, to be turned down in committee, but propose to carry their cause into the national convention and there demand a respectful hearing. Failing in that they contemplate a bolt, yet such action has not yet been agreed upon. They are getting all the proxies they can secure in the east, south and far west on this issue alone. The outcome will be watched with great interest.

# Real Estate Transfers.

L street southeast near Canal street-Eugene A. Atchison et al. to Lewin L. Watson, lot 33, square 882; \$10.

Columbia Heights-Lloyd H. Chandler et ux. to Franklin T. Sanner, part lot 8, block 31; \$10. Emerson street northwest between 13th

and 14th streets-Daniel V. Chisholm to Joanna Chisholm, lot 86, square 1.029; \$10 (stamps, \$1). Rhode Island avenue northwest between

14th and 15th streets-Carra H. Granger et vir. Jno. T. to Wm. J. Dante, lot 84, square 210: \$30,000 Thirteenth street northwest between R and S streets—Howard T. Keating to Wm. O'Donnell, lot 101, square 276; \$10 (stamps,

\$5).

Delaware avenue northeast between D and E streets—James Kellher et ux. to Geo. B. Clark, part lots E and F, square 682; \$10 (stamps, \$3.50).

New Hampshire avenue northwest between L and M streets—Watson J. Newton et ux. to Geo. P. Newton, lot 32, square 72; \$2.500

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No. 946 Florida avenue northwest—Wm.
L. Peabody, executor and trustee, to Fredereka Seymore, lot 49, square 357; \$2,800.

No. 1238 New Jersey avenue northwest—Same to Wm. A. Faulkner, lot I, square

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Tenth and B streets northeast—John H.

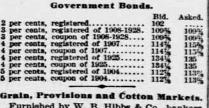
Rothert et ux. to John Murphy, part square
939; \$10 (stamps, \$1).

Columbia Heights—Leo Simmons et ux.
to Mary A. Dobbins, part lot 1, block 37; Fourteenth street northwest between W

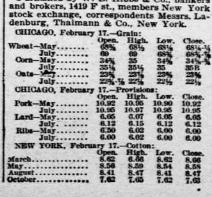
street and Florida avenue—The Capital Traction Company to Charles V. Mailet, lots 24 to 27, square 234; \$10,500. Henry Waiter et ux. to George B. Clark, lot D, square 682; \$10 (stamps, \$3.50). Connecticut avenue Heights—James B. Wimer et ux. to Carra H. Granger, lots 30 and 31, square 3; \$17,500.

Funeral of Wm. Ward Mohun. The remains of William Ward Mohun, late stenographer to the United States military evacuation commission of Cuba, who died at Havana November 19, have been shipped to the United States on the transport Buford, which will arrive at New York in a day or two. The remains will then be brought to this city, and will be burled in the family lot at Congressional cemetery. The funeral will be private.

Government Bonds.



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Dullness Continues to Be the Feature in Stocks.

PUBLIC WAITS FOR LOWER PRICES

The full text of the electrolysis bill in- War News Has Ceased to Play Any Part.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, February 17.-The stock market was entirely in the hands of the professional element this morning, and was inclined to lower prices in consequence London was dull and featureless, but would have bought moderately on this side had the local market been responsive. The steel stocks were sold down during the early trading, together with other industrial shares, on the general theory that they had had a considerable advance and might be expected to react during the more active money period incident to the quar-

terly interest payments. The market has cut away from the foreign war situation, and disregards both good and bad reports from that center. In a similar manner it has become indifferent to home developments, as was shown in its neglect of the best features in the currency bill. It is true that the conference committee may make important changes in this measure, but its vital features, at least, are assured. The market halts very noticeably and no satisfactory explanation is at hand. The most plausible argument is found in the almost universal belief that a considerable volume of stock is awaiting a market.
While speculative holders are wanting to

get out, it is only natural to expect the public to wait in the hope of tiring out the present holders and tempting them to sell at lower prices. The result of these conflicting purposes would be just such a market as at present exists. Since there is no market of proportions equal to inspiring a public demand, it is likely that prices will fail to improve materially under the domi-

fail to improve materially under the domination of the room. Unless some positive developments of an adverse nature arise there should be a willing demand at all concessions in the railway list.

Earnings are holding and officials are confident that new values will be added to their properties during the present season. There may be frequent pauses in the advance, but at such times investors may find the advantages they have been waiting for. Pessimists are few, but the influence of the optimists is only negative. Aggressive buying could easily advance the entire market, but it is doubtful if a sale of an equal amount of stock would accomplish a proportionate result in an opposite direction.

The bank statement average.

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The bank statement was unfavorable, but not disappointing. The net loss in lawful money during the week has been \$2.324,100, about equally divided between specie and legals. The loans have increased \$13,684, 200, making a total increase of about \$25,000,000 in ten days. The money has not come into the stock market. It is suggested that the demand comes from commercial borrowers, but this is extremely doubtful. A shifting of loans from trust companies, from out-of-town institutions and similar processes are the more plausible.

The increase in this week's loans is too small by nearly \$5,000,000, as an effort to balance the statement shows. The deposits increased \$6,231,200, and the net result of all changes is shown by a decrease of \$5,881,900 in the surplus reserve, reducing the total fund to \$24,915,675.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. New York Stock Market. 

New Jersey Central New York Central X-rts. Northern Pacific Northern Pacific, ptd.... Northern Facine, pour Pacific Mail Pennsylvania R. R. Reading, 1st pfd Southern Pacific Southern Railway Southern Railway, pfd.

Intario & Western Sales regular tall-12 o'clock m.—Capital Trition, 29 at 91%. Washington Gas, 25 at 53%, at 53%, 25 at 53%, 25 at 53%, 25 at 53%. District of Columbia Books. —Fund. curren 110 bid, 116 asked. Metropolitan Raliroad co. Miscellaneous Bonds.—Metropolitan Raliroad co. Miscellaneous Bonds.—Metropolitan Raliroad co.

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5s. 110 bid, 112 asked. Washington Gas Company, ser. A, 68, 113 bid. Washington Gas Company, ser. B, 68, 113 bid. Washington Gas Company, ser. B, 68, 113 bid. United States Electric Light deb. imp. 6s, 113 asked. Chesapeake and Orbonac Telephone 5s, 104 bid. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone con. 5s, 1045 bid. 105 asked. American 8ccurity and Trust 4s, 100 bid. Washington Market Company imp. 6s, 114 bid. Washington Market Company imp. 6s, 114 bid. Washington Market Company exten. 6s, 114 bid. Washington Market Company exten. 6s, 114 bid. Washington Market Company exten. 6s, 114 bid. Washington Market Company and Carlon Gas 108 bid. American Graphophone deb. 5s, 106 bid. National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington.

Company exten. 6s. 11s bid. Masonic Hall Associantion 5s. 108 bid. American Graphophone deb. 5s. 109 bid. National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington. 369 bid. 409 asked. Metropolitan. 545 bid. 575 asked. Gentral, 190 bid. Farmers and Mechanics', 200 bid. Second, 155 bid. Citimens', 150 bid. Columbia. 155 bid. Columbia. 155 bid. Columbia. 155 bid. Columbia. 155 bid. Graked. Tradees', 125 bid. 135 asked. Lincoln, 123 bid. 173 asked. Tradees', 125 bid. 135 asked. Lincoln, 123 bid. 127 asked. Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust. 128 bid. 132 asked. Washington Loan and Trust, 158 bid. 169 asked. American Security and Trust. 157 bid. 209 asked. Washington Safe Deposit, 72 bid. 75 asked. Washington Safe Deposit, 72 bid. 75 asked. 4 Franklin, 40 bid. Metropolitan. SI bid. 90 asked. Gorcoran, 60 bid. Pootmac, 73% bid. 76 asked. Arlington, 149 bid. 155 asked. German-American, 216 bid. National Unio, 111½ bid. 13 asked. Columbia. 124 bid. 13½ asked. Riggs, 8 bid. 8½ asked. People's, 64% bid. 6½ asked. Comercial, 4 bid. 4½ asked. Columbia Title, 3½ bid. Sid. 90 asked. Columbia Title, 4% bid. 5 asked. Washington Title, 3½ bid. Railroad Stocks.—Washington Gas, 53½ bid. 53% asked. Georgetown and Tenallytown, 15 bid. Gas Stocks.—Washington Gas, 53½ bid. 53% asked. Georgetown Gas, 55 bid. Telephone Stocks.—Cheaspeake and Potomac, 65 bid. 70 asked. Pennsylvania, 38 bid. 48 asked. Miscellaneous Stocks.—Mergenthaler Lincotype, 1994 bid. 1194 asked. American Graphophone, pfd., x11½ bid, 11½ asked. American Graphophone, pfd., x11½ bid, x11½ asked. Lincoln Hall, 65 bid. x. Ex. dividend.

Baltimore Marketa.

BALTMORE, Md., February 17.—Flour dull. changed—receipts, 13.073 barrels; exports, 26. barrels. Wheat dull—spot and February, 73½a73 March, 73½a74 May, 74½a74½; steamer No. 2 r. 69½a609, receipts, 3,636 bushels; exports, nor southern wheat by sample, 68a75; 60. on gra 70a74 Corn easier—spot and February, 39½a53 March and April, 39½a59½; steamer mixed, 35 35%, receipts, 154,274 bushels; exports, 192, bushels—southern white and yellow corn, 38 Cats firm—No. 2 white, 31½a31½; No. 2 mirred, 29½, Rye, dull—No. 2 nearby, 54, nominal; No western, 59, nominal. Hay firm—No. 1 thmot \$15.50. Grain freights firm, but not so acth steam to Liverpool, per bushel, 4d.a5½d., Mar Coesse, butter, eggs firm, unchanged. Sogar fiunchanged.